

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of :  
Shigeru FURUMIYA et al. :  
Serial No. NEW : **Attn: APPLICATION BRANCH**  
Filed March 24, 2004 : Attorney Docket No. 2004-0450  
  
Optical Disc and Optical Disc Address Reading  
Apparatus and Method  
**(Rule 1.53(b) Divisional  
of Serial No. 10/615,799,  
filed July 10, 2003, which  
is a divisional of Serial No.  
10/169,915, filed July 11, 2002)**

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

**Prior to initial examination of the above-identified application, kindly amend the application as follows:**